

## Message Text

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FAS FOR OYLOE AND STARKEY, STR

EO 11652: NA

TAGS: EAGR GW, SZ

SUBJ: BONNS REQUEST FOR POSSIBLE GATT-BOUND DUTY ON POPCORN

REF: BONN 13461

1. IMPORTS OF UNPOPPED POPCORN INTO SWITZERLAND ARE TREATED AS FEED GRAINS (BTN 1005.01) JUST AS IN EEC, SUBJECT TO A DUTY OF SFO.50 PER 100 KGS. HOWEVER AS A FEED GRAIN, POPCORN REQUIRES AN IMPORT LICENSE UNDER THE NATIONAL FEED GRAIN QUOTE AND IS SUBJECT TO A VARIABLE LEVY CURRENTLY SET AT SF250.00 PER MT. INCLUDING THE ADDITIONALCHARGES FOR BOERDER FEES OF SF1.0 AND CONTRIBOUTION TO OBLIGATORY STOCKS OF SF12.50, LEVIES AND DUTIES TOTAL SF268.50 PER MT OR 6.9 US CENTS PER POUND, OF WHICH THE LEVY ALONE IS 6.4 CENTS.

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2. CONTRARY TO GERMAN TRADE REPORTS, SWITZERLAND HAS NOT REPEAT NOT ESTABLISHED A SEPARATE TARIFF POSITION FOR UNPOPPED POPCORN, NOR HAVE IMPORT CHARGES BEEN MODIFIED, EXCEPT AS THE VARIABLE LE CHANGES.

3. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANOTHER SUPPLIER

HAD REQUESTED A POPCORN CONCESSION FROM THE SWISS IN THE MTN  
ALTHOUGH THE LIEKLIHOOD IS REMOTE BECAUSE OF THE US DOMINANT  
SUPPLIER POSITION. CROWLEY

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